



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians  
Binojeeuk Commission  
Administration Office  
2608 Government Center Dr.  
Manistee, Michigan 49660**

## **MONTHLY REPORT November 2022**

The Binojeeuk Commission is created for the purpose of protecting the best interests of the child and promoting the stability and security of the Tribe and its Indian families by fully exercising the Tribe's rights and responsibilities under the Indian Child Welfare Act and the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Children's Code.

### **Officers:**

1. Shawna Gonzalez	Term Ending:	9/20/25
2. Corey Wells	Term Ending:	9/20/23
3. Chelsea Densmore	Term Ending:	9/20/25
4. Alicia Knapp	Term Ending:	9/20/25

### **Monthly Activities:**

1. Total cases reviewed for the month (2)
2. Submitted dates for open session minutes 11-4-22, 11-18-22
3. Submitted dates for closed session minutes 11-18-22, 11-18-22

### **Discussion Points/Concerns:**

1. Case Managers updated ICWA cases (2)
2. Recommendations issued on ICWA cases (0)
3. Two Cases were heard, one case is an older case, the other is a new case. No recommendations were needed this month. Briefed on the ongoing Supreme Court ICWA court case.



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**Open Session Minutes  
November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**I. General Business**

A. Call to Order: Shawna Gonzalez 1:03 PM

B. Roll Call:

Present: Shawna Gonzalez, Alicia Knapp, Corey Wells, Chelsea Densmore

Others Present: Jon Hauswirth

**C. Approval of Agenda for November 04, 2022**

Motion to approve agenda

Made by: Knapp

Supported by: Wells

Gonzalez	Wells	Densmore	Knapp
Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes

*Motion approved 4-0-0*

**D. Approval of Open Session Minutes for: 10-21-22**

Motion to approve Minutes

Made by: Knapp

Supported by: Densmore

Gonzalez	Wells	Densmore	Knapp
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

*Motion approved 4-0-0*

II. New Business:

III. Discussion:

IV. Continuing Business:

V. Concluding Business:

A. Meeting Date November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 @ 1:00 PM

VI. Adjourn Open Session 1:06 PM

Motion to move into Closed Session at 1:06 PM

Made by: Knapp

Supported by: Densmore

Gonzalez	Wells	Densmore	Knapp
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

*Motion approved 4-0-0*

VII. Adjourn Meeting

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:23 PM

Made by: Densmore

Supported by: Wells

Gonzalez	Wells	Densmore	Knapp
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

*Motion approved 4-0-0*



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**Open Session Minutes**  
**November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**I. General Business**

A. Call to Order: Shawna Gonzalez 1:03 PM

B. Roll Call:

Present: Shawna Gonzalez, Alicia Knapp, Corey Wells, Chelsea Densmore

Others Present: Jon Hauswirth

**C. Approval of Agenda for November 18, 2022**

Motion to approve agenda

Made by: Knapp

Supported by: Wells

Gonzalez	Wells	Densmore	Knapp
Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes

*Motion approved 4-0-0*

**D. Approval of Open Session Minutes for: 11-4-22**

Motion to approve Minutes

Made by: Knapp

Supported by: Densmore

Gonzalez	Wells	Densmore	Knapp
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

*Motion approved 4-0-0*

II. New Business:

III. Discussion:

IV. Continuing Business:

V. Concluding Business:

A. Meeting Date December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 @ 1:00 PM

VI. Adjourn Open Session 1:21 PM

Motion to move into Closed Session at 1:21 PM

Made by: Knapp

Supported by: Densmore

Gonzalez	Wells	Densmore	Knapp
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

*Motion approved 4-0-0*

VII. Adjourn Meeting

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:43 PM

Made by: Densmore

Supported by: Wells

Gonzalez	Wells	Densmore	Knapp
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

*Motion approved 4-0-0*